



*Great Swamp Baptist Church*

*May 28, 2017*

# *Great Swamp Baptist Church*

May 28, 2017  
Sunday Morning Worship  
11:00 AM

## **Prelude**

## **Call To Worship**

*Memorial Day Commemoration*

*Laying of the Memorial Wreath*

*Hymn #352*

*“Faith of Our Fathers”*

## **The Welcome**

Announcements

*Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.*

## **Invocation**

*Bjo Mills*

## **Selections of Praise & Worship**

*“Your Words”*

## **We Pray for Special Needs**

Pastoral & Offertory Prayer

*Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.*

Offertory

Special Music

*GSBC Praise Band*

## **Message**

*Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr.*

## **Invitation**

## **Benediction**



**Today:**  
*Latrelle Steedly*  
*Krey Lowther*

**Next Week:**  
*Annette Malphrus*  
*Krey Lowther*

## Nursery Workers



**Today:**  
*Debra Daley*  
*Cathryn Daley*

**Next Week:**  
*Vicky Roberts*  
*Emma Grace*



## Toll Committee

*For June*  
*Bernice Malphrus & Bonnie Pope*

## DEACON OF THE WEEK :



**Today:**  
*Bjo Mills*  
 843-271-2840

**Next Week:**  
*Fred Stanley*  
 843-226-5641



**IF YOUR DEACONS  
 CAN MINISTER TO YOU IN ANY WAY,  
 CALL THE CHURCH @ 726-3631**



### ***From Pastor Ralph's Desk:***

#### **Schools Out, Servings In**

*(John 14:1-3; Romans 8:33-34)*

*For many of our students, school is now over and summer vacation is under way. For the rest, it will begin in just a few more days. Therefore, I want to take just a few moments to encourage that summer vacation doesn't mean a vacation from serving the Lord. Jesus, Himself, gives us a great example of what I am referring to.*

#### **I. First, let me point out that Jesus has gone away for a while.**

*Jesus came to us over two thousand years ago. He lived among us for thirty-three years. But, then He left us. He left us in a way that no one has ever left us, and that was by resurrecting Himself from the grave and then in the presence of His disciples in His resurrected, glorified body, He ascended back to Heaven. So, what I want us to understand is He went away.*

#### **II. Second, let me point out that Jesus is coming back again.**

*The whole time that Jesus was preparing to leave us, He also was promising us that He would come back again. Given while He was ascending back to Heaven, His disciples were reminded that He would return in the same manner in which they saw Him leave. Most scholars tell us that there are way more*

*Scriptures that deal with Jesus' second coming than even His first one. So, we can be assured one hundred percent that our Lord will return.*

*Now this is some what like what our students do to us every year. They come to us then at the end of the year they go away with an assurance, God willing, that they will come back again next year.*

**III. Third, let me point out that Jesus is still working while He is away.**

*What I want us to understand is that while He is away, He is still carrying out some extremely important responsibilities. So, while He is away we should not think that Jesus is sitting back and coasting along doing absolutely nothing. Nothing could be further from the truth. We know that there are no less than at least two things and I sure many more that He is carrying out while He is away. John in his Gospel, tells us that Jesus said that He was going away to the Father's home and that while He was there, He was going to be preparing a place for us and then He would someday come and get us to bring us back to that prepared place.*

*The second thing we know for sure is what He is doing while away, according to the Apostle Paul in the Book of Romans, is interceding twenty four hours a day for us before the Heavenly Father. So, Jesus, has not gone on a summer vacation to do nothing. Ho, He is on the job continuously for us.*

*Conclusion: From this I want us to see as students and as adults that summer vacation does not mean time off from serving Jesus just because we have the summer off. Rather, like Jesus, while we are away, we still have the responsibility of going right or serving our Lord all the way up to our time of returning. When you come back, will you be able to tell me that while you were gone, you kept right on serving the Lord?*

*Jesus Loves You*

*Ralph Lee, Jr*

A close-up photograph of an American flag, showing the stars and stripes, draped over a dark surface. The flag is the background for the entire graphic.

Wishing you a blessed

# *Memorial Day*



This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ  
laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay  
down our lives for our brothers. 1 JOHN 3:16



June 19-22  
5:30pm-8:00pm

# Submerged Vacation Bible School

Great Swamp Baptist  
Church



# Four Days of Unspeakable Joy

OCTOBER 16-19, 2017  
PIGEON FORGE, TENNESSEE



Monday 7 PM  
Tuesday 9 AM

## DAVID JEREMIAH

With a commitment to teaching the Word of God, Dr. Jeremiah writes gripping books that get right to the point to see the lost saved.



## MARK LOWRY

Singer, storyteller, humorist, author and songwriter, Mark is known and loved around the world as a trusted voice in the realm of Gospel music and beyond.



Monday 9 PM

## STAN WHITMIRE

Appearing Monday evening with Mark Lowry, Stan is a Dove Award-winning pianist and an integral part of the music ministry at his church in Atlanta.



Tuesday 11 AM

## ANNIE MOSES BAND

This talented ensemble of songwriters, singers, and musicians, combines technical skill with exhilarating showmanship.

MONDAY	Session 1	7 PM - 10 PM
	Session 2	9 AM - Noon
TUESDAY	Session 3	7 PM - 10 PM
	Session 4	9 AM - Noon
WEDNESDAY	Session 5	7 PM - 10 PM
THURSDAY	Session 6	9 AM - 11 AM

Doors open about 1 hour before each session.

Capacity: 9,800



Tuesday  
8 PM

## SPECIAL MISSIONS NIGHT: WITH TIM TEBOW

Tim Tebow is a two-time national champion, first round NFL draft pick, and Heisman trophy winner. Growing up as a son of missionaries, he has devoted himself to charity—raising money for pediatric cancer patients and disadvantaged children.





Coming in 2017 to the  
**LeConte Center** ::::

				
Wednesday 9 AM	Wednesday 11 AM	Wednesday 7 PM	Wednesday 8 PM Thursday 9 AM	Worship Leader
<b>PHIL WALDREP</b> The host of the Celebrators Conferences, Phil follows his heart to help men and women center their lives on God.	<b>GREATER VISION</b> This highly awarded trio inspires audiences with their rich vocal blend and their ability to impart the Gospel message.	<b>VERITAS</b> Committed to musical excellence, Veritas is a five-piece vocal powerhouse that brings a fresh, dynamic twist to the contemporary classical genre.	<b>MAX LUCADO</b> Serving the Oak Hills Church in San Antonio, Texas, Max is a preacher with a gift for storytelling, a pastor's heart, and a poet's pen.	<b>CHARLES BILLINGSLEY</b> Charles is one of Christian music's most captivating inspirational voices and a successful solo artist with 24 recordings.

## Senior Adult News

It is that time of year again. A sign-up sheet is in the Lobby for those who plan on attending. A non-refundable deposit of \$25.00 is due NOW. We need you to sign up as soon as possible so that we may put together a room list with balances. October 16-19.

We will be staying at the Willowbrook Lodge.

Early Bird Rates are:

4 per room	\$199.00
3 per room	\$219.00
2 per room	\$259.00
1 per room	\$379.00

Bus Fee is a separate \$50.00

# YOUTH GROUP

*If you would like to make a donation to the youth camp fund or sponsor a youth for their remaining balance of youth camp, please contact Michelle Waitt at 843-597-1322. OR, just put your donation in an envelope marked "Youth Camp Scholarship" and make a note if you are designating the donation for a specific youth member.*

## Wednesday Night SUPPER

### Menu

Pot Roast  
Mashed Potatoes / Gravy  
Green Beans / Salad  
Dessert  
Tea & Coffee



### Youth Cooking Team

\$5.00 each or \$15.00 for a family of 4 or more

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**FUN**  
FOR THEM.  
**PEACE**  
OF **MIND**  
FOR **YOU.**

# After School Care

*A safe place for your children to stay  
while you finish up your work day.*

*Now enrolling*

*2017-2018 School Year*

*K3—6th Grade*

*Call School Office @ 843-726-6100*

*for more info*

*and*

*to sign up.*

## GSBC Prayer Pages May 28, 2017

### Church Needs

*Ralph Lee, Jr. - Pastor  
Richard Waitt- Music Director  
Deacons  
Child Dev. Ministries*

*Sunday School  
Small Groups  
SFCA-Donna Carter*

*Ministries  
Outreach Ministry  
Nominating Committee*

### Leadership

*President Donald Trump  
United States of America*

### Unspoken

*Lloyd Freeman  
Ryan Tuyls  
Tim Cramer Family*

### Bereavement

*Family Of  
Harriot Lawson  
Carlile O'Quinn  
Huewlyn Nettles*

### Hospitals

*Jane Himes—Bft. Memorial*

### Surgery / Recovery

*Gail Malphrus (4/27)  
Robin Holmes (5/4)  
Duane Armstrong (5/4)  
Bess Parnell (5/4)  
Timmy Sauls (5/11)  
Kellie Chapman (5/16)  
Steve Higgins (5/16)*

### Expecting / Births

*Victoria Keiffer*

### Nursing Centers

*Elaine Degler-RNC  
Wofford Malphrus-Effingham  
County Rehab. Center  
Harriot Lawson-RNC  
Doris Blackmon-Morningside*

### Cancer / Treatments

*Barry Jones (5/24)  
Mitzi Cramer (5/4)  
Susan L. Vaigneur (4/27)  
Becky Floyd (5/4)  
Wallace Roberts (5/18)  
Diane Thames (5/18)  
Maxie Mason (5/24)  
Lydia Sauls (5/18)  
Chris & Marie Buck's  
Niece, Bella (5/18)  
Susan Smith (5/21)  
Lawrence Smith (5/21)  
Jimmie Ckleland (5/24)*

### Called to Ministry

*Chris Carter & Family*

### Other Health Needs

*Raymond (Lloyd Freeman's Friend) (5/18)  
Tony Blanton (4/27)  
Brandy Freeman (5/11)  
Donnie Pinckney (5/11)  
Paul Malphrus (5/11)  
Joseph Laycock (5/19)  
John D. Rogers (5/21)  
Mark Boyles, Sr. (5/21)*

*Ron Davis (4/27)  
Betty Robertson (4/27)  
Vera Floyd (5/4)  
Vera Miles (5/4)  
David & Iola's son, David (5/4)  
Abaigail Kidwell (5/22)  
Wilma Jean McGill (5/24)  
Dana Cooler (5/24)  
Bonnie Pope (5/24)  
Mike Mingledorff (5/24)*



## Pray For Our Military



*Bobby Emerson- Fort Hood-Army*

*Jared Blanton-Home*

*Matthew Mills-Va-US Marines*

*Jericho Malphrus-Air Force*

*If you have someone who needs listing, call either the church office @ 726-3631 or E.L. Ambrose @ 726-5479.*

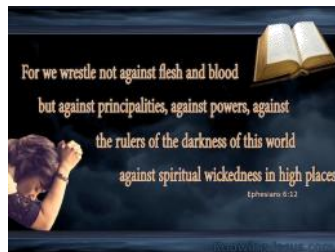
*Thank You*

### Please Continue To Remember

*Ricky Cleland  
Mike Hodge  
Shirley Malphrus  
Rose Boyles  
Lula Floyd  
Mary Cope  
Judy Smith  
Jeffrey Stanley  
Joyce Sutler*

*Dot Nettles  
Betty Nettles  
Tom Hinely  
Olivia Stanley  
Lois Bootle  
Lane Malphrus  
Grace Boyles  
Patricia Malphrus  
Scott Boyles  
Brian Freeman*

*Billie Langford  
Gary Way  
Christy Gagel  
Vera Miles  
Mary Daley  
Leonard Steedly  
Barbara Mills  
Rodney Malphrus, Sr.  
Lanell Smith*



*Daniel 10:12-13 narrates our basis for our thoughts. Daniel's prayer had not been answered—not because he was not a good man nor because his prayer was not right. For 21 days, the prince of the kingdom of Persia had withstood him and until Michael came to help him he was detained. Many a Christian's prayers is hindered by Satan.*

*E.L. Ambrose*

### Today's Prayer Team

#### Group I

*Patricia Malphrus-Leader  
Truett Vaigneur  
Shirley Malphrus  
Vera Miles*

**Watchman Prayer Service**  
**Saturdays @ 8:00am**

#### Prayer Note

*For emergencies  
a prayer chain  
is available for needs.*

*You may access  
by calling the  
church @ 726-3631  
Or*

*E.L. Ambrose @ 726-5479*

# Announcements



***Memorial Day***  
*Monday, May 29th*

***The Quilting Club is meeting in the  
Old Parsonage***  
*Thursday, June 1st @ 10:00am*



***Watchman Prayer Group***  
*Saturday, June 3rd @ 8:00 am*



## ***Save The Date***

*Saturday, June 10th @ 6:30pm*  
*Wedding of*  
*Michael Allen Daley & Taylor Corley Burnette*  
*2003 Bees Creek Rd—Ridgeland, SC*  
*RSVP by May 1, 2017*  
*By email: [tdaley2017@gmail.com](mailto:tdaley2017@gmail.com)*



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## Church Staff

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 Music Director: **Richard Waitt** .....waittfamily@embarqmail.com  
 Sunday School Director: **Wallace Malphrus** .....Josie6@embarqmail.com  
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## Calendar of Events

Sunday Morning Breakfast (September thru May Only)..... 8:30AM  
 Sunday School..... 9:45AM  
 Morning Worship..... 11:00AM  
 Evening Worship..... 6:00PM  
 Wednesday Night Supper (September thru May Only)..... 6:00PM  
 Wednesday Night Service..... 7:00PM  
 Saturday Watchman Prayer..... 8:00AM

## Stewardship

Budget Offerings	This Week	Weekly Budget	Surplus/Deficit + / -
Tithes & Offerings	\$4,288.50	\$ 4,943.56	-\$655.06
Designated Funds	This Week	*****	Acct. Balances
SMB	\$103.00	*****	\$650.48
Hanshew Offering	\$25.00	*****	\$25.00

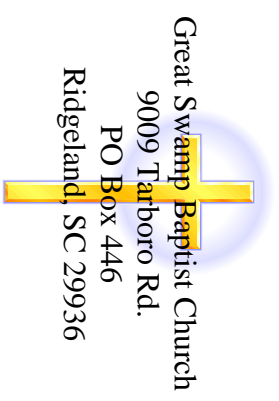
May 31st  
 June 1st  
 June 2nd

Jake Holland  
 Jonathan malphrus  
 Patricia Malphrus



## Reminder

There will be **NO**  
 Sunday Morning Breakfast or Wednesday Night Supper  
 June thru August.  
 Meals will resume the first week of September.



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